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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 3 March 1965

General Carter was in the Chair as Acting DCI.

There was a Current Intelligence Briefing covering Vietnam, Laos, Middle East, Cyprus, Indonesia, and Cuba.

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DDS&T reported that the first bucket of CORONA 1017 was retrieved last night. He reported that GMAIC has completed its study of the requirement for [] photography, and this will be circulated to USIB for approval.

There was a brief discussion of the breakfast to be hosted tomorrow by General Carter, and to be attended by some 10 Congressmen.

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DDI discussed the problem of field dissemination of SNIE's and said he was preparing a memo which could be used to clarify the problem at a USIB meeting.

DDI, in response to General Carter's query of yesterday, said that DDI does validate the targets in South China as essential for coverage, but that we recommend [] versus DIA's position that they should []. The subject is up for debate at USIB this morning. DDS&T noted that a study is being made in OSA of real weather the past year and which will indicate the total number of missions that could have gone, assuming approvals and aircraft and pilot availability. The number of missions is expected to prove out to be relatively small.

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General Carter, noting that the North Vietnamese once again appear to have advanced knowledge of US air strikes, said he intends to raise the communications security aspects of this once again at USIB today.

General Carter said he would also alert USIB to the uneasy atmosphere in the Middle East, particularly as it affects American interests.

There was a discussion of the color TV problem. DOD now favors RCA sales (which will be in the magnitude of hundreds of millions of dollars worth) to the USSR. [] indicated that the SIGINT Committee was studying the matter and would be in position to advise USIB next week. General Carter said this was not soon enough. He cited his phone conversation last night with the Assistant Secretary of Commerce. The DCI position will have to be stated no later than noon tomorrow. The subject will be brought up at USIB this morning.

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